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SUBJECT: PROVINCIAL KEBELE ELECTIONS

REF: ADDIS ABABA 11555 AND PREVIOUS

1. EPMG HAS DECLARED DECEMBER 3 HOLIDAY IN URBAN CENTERS
OTHER THAN ADDIS IN ORDER TO CONDUCT SECOND SET OF ELECTIONS
FOR URBAN DWELLERS ASSOCIATIONS.

ELECTIONS IN ADDIS HELD NOVEMBER 5.

ELECTIONS SET FOR FOLLOWING MUNICIPAL AREAS:

A) HARRAFGE REGION-HARAR, KERSA, KOMBOLCHA, REDIS, CHHELENKO,
DEDER, ASBE,TEFERI, HIRNA, MIESSO, AFDEM, BIYU, GELEMSSO,
BEDESSA, MECHARA, DIRE DAWA, ERER, FUGANBIRA AND GIRAWA.

B) WOLLO REGION- DESSI, HAIK, WUCHALE, WOLDYA, KOBO,
ALAMATA, KOREM, KOMBOLCHA AND BATI.

C) ERITREA REGION- ASMARA, MASSAWA, KEREN, MENDEFERA, AND
ASSAB,

D) BALE REGION-GOBA.

E) GOJJAM REGION- DEBRE MARKOS AND BAHR DAR.

F) TIGRAI REGION- MAKELE AND ADOWA.

G. WOLLEGA REGION-NEKEMTE

H) ILLUBABOR REGION-METTU, GORE, BEDELLE, HURUMU, TOBA,
AND YAYU.

I) SHOA REGION-AKAKI, DEBRE ZEIT, NAZARETH, AMBO,
WOLISSO, AND DEBRE BERHAN.

J) ARUSSI REGION- ASSELA, DILA KOFELE, FELEGE, BIRHAN,

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BOKOJI, TICHO, GUBESSA, ROBI, AND TENSAE BIRHAHN.

K) GEGEMDIR AND SEMIEN REGION - GONDAR.

L) SIDAMO REGION- AWASSA.

M) GAMU GOFFA REGION- ARBA MINCH.

2. RECENT EMOFF DISCUSSIONS IN AWASSA WITH ZEMETCHA AND
POLITBURO OFFICIAL SUPERVISING ELECTION THERE REVEALED
THAT CANDIDATE LISTS CAREFULLY BEING PRUNED OF
"NON-PROGRESSIVE" PEOPLE, AS WAS DONE IN ADDIS(REFTEL).
EFFORTS ALSO MADE TO ASSURE THAT INEXPERIENCED ELCTORATE AWARE
THAT THEY MAY CHOOSE FROM FULL REMAINING SLATE, AND NOT
SIMPLY VOTE FOR FIRST FIFTEEN ON LIST OR EVEN DROP
ALL THEIR BALLOTS INTO ENVELOPE OF FIRST CANDIDATE.
EMBASSY ATTRIBUTES NO PARTICULAR SIGNIFICANCE TO FACT THAT
JIMMA AND AXUM ARE ONLY TWO LARGER ETHIOPIAN CITIES NOT
HOLDING ELECTIONS THIS WEEK.
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